

As an amateur radio operator with over 25 years operating experience, I oppose the proposed action that would automatically upgrade Novice or Advanced licensees after 20 years of operating experience. There is not quantifiable way of determining the level of capability such potential licensees have, since the mere time period criteria in no way can be equated to "operating experience". Seems to me a core requirement of the amateur hobby is practical operation. Just having a license does not equate to active or interested participation in this voluntary service. I oppose the proposed automatic upgrading of licenses merely based on the length of time the license has been in existence. Sincerely,
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